

An. Code, sec. 127. 1904, sec. 125. 1901, ch. 10, sec. 117A. 1912, ch. 511.  
1920, ch. 58, sec. 127. 1922, ch. 269, sec. 127.

**137.** It shall be the duty of the Boards of Supervisors of Elections of the several counties to examine the boundaries of the several election districts and election precincts in their respective counties, from time to time, and whenever in their judgment and discretion it shall be expedient for the convenience of the voters, to sub-divide any of said election districts or election precincts, or to sub-divide and change the boundaries of any two or more precincts in any election district into three or more precincts, or to change the boundaries of any two or more election precincts, they are hereby empowered and authorized to make such sub-divisions and to establish the boundaries of such sub-divisions in such way as to facilitate and expedite the casting of their ballots by the voters thereof, either by the designation of an entirely new and different polling place or places, or by providing for two or more separate polling places at or near the former polling place or places; provided, however, that no election district shall be sub-divided into two or more precincts that has not an excess of four hundred voters; and no precinct or group of precincts in any district shall be sub-divided unless one or more of said precincts so intended to be divided, shall contain an excess of four hundred voters; provided, however, that the Supervisors of Elections of Garrett County are empowered and authorized, whenever in their discretion and judgment it is expedient for the convenience of the voters, to sub-divide any election precinct or district, or establish a new election district or precinct, whether such election precinct or district has four hundred voters or not; and whenever in the exercise of the discretion conferred upon the several Boards of Supervisors of Elections of this section, they shall sub-divide any election district or election precinct or precincts, they shall appoint officers of registration and judges and clerks of election therefor, as in this Article provided, who shall have all the powers, perform all the duties, be subject to all the responsibilities and be liable to all the penalties prescribed in this Article for officers of registration, judges and clerks of election. All the members of the Boards of Supervisors for the several counties whenever any such district, precinct or precincts is or are divided as herein provided, shall sign their names to the books which contain the names copied from the original books for such new district or precinct in the hands of such supervisors, and shall duly certify that said new books contain all the names of the persons entitled to vote in such newly established district or precinct, such said certificate shall appear on the blank line next following the last name in each letter of the alphabetical list of names in the new book so transcribed, and such said certificates shall be attested by the clerk to the respective Boards of Supervisors; and said Boards of Supervisors shall furnish to the officers of registration and judges of election appointed by them for such new additional voting precincts full and complete sets of registry books containing the names of all voters already registered, duly and properly arranged for such additional voting precincts, and for the entering upon such registry books persons entitled to be newly registered thereon, and the cost of such sub-division and preparation of proper registry books shall be paid by the